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Sophocles Venizelos and Themistocles Sophoulis have been working on a plan to combine forces under a new party which will be announced shortly. Following his return from a recent trip to Salonica, Venizelos persuaded Sophoulis to become less ademant. Sophoulis has now consented to the formation of a coalition government which would include only the parties represented in the Assembly. If this new plan succeeds, Sophoulis will presumably be the new Prime Minister.

Venizelos has been in touch with the British Ambassador for some time. Spyros Markezinis, King George's advisor, has been most active in visiting Venizelos and Sophoulis.

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